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**MOUNTAIN, MOUNTAIN.**

Rain, and lashed, with short intermission, till the morning, was 387 points. At 10 a.m. 200 points were registered.

**MURRIUBURAH, MOUNTAIN.**

Heavy rain set in on Saturday night, and up to this morning the rainfall was 262 points. The rain was very hard, and the ploughing was stopped ground to-day was unworkable, and the river is still rising.

**MUTTER, MOUNTAIN.**

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**MURWILLUMBAH, MOUNTAIN.**

The weather has been fair, but, as it must now come, we make the best use of our opportunity.

The *Waugh's Wagon Advertiser* of opinion that the virtual defeat of the Government in the Legislative Assembly on Monday morning was mainly the result of divided support among the members. On a former time past, it had been evident that the position of the Premier, with regard to some of his colleagues, was not definite and doubtful. To a man, he was a good elector, but his lenient attitude towards his colleagues in the Legislative Assembly, was galling in the extreme to be obliged to modify his views in accordance with the wishes of those he had been upon as his supporters. The rain is now over, but as the maize crops, which are unusually good this year, are still the most part unharmed, owners are anxious.

**ORANGE, MOUNTAIN.**

Rain commenced to fall on Saturday, and continued at intervals up to to-day. Four inches of rain have fallen.

**PARKES, MOUNTAIN.**

Very heavy rain set in on Saturday evening. Yesterday was shower, but at 8 p.m. 100 points. At 9 a.m. 200 points were registered. It is now fine and clear. The rain has been falling steadily since 115 points fell at Jerilderie, Urra, 95 points. Casterton, 104 points; Deniliquin, 83 points; Moura, 65 points; Wagga Wagga, 100 points; North Sydney, 170 points; and Wodonga, 182 points.

**NOWRA, MONDAY.**

Heavy rain fell last night and, this morning, giving 300 points up to 10 o'clock. The rain is now over, but as the maize crops, which are unusually good this year, are still the most part unharmed, owners are anxious.

**QUINBYNDON, MOUNTAIN.**

Splendid rain has fallen here. It commenced falling at 8 p.m. yesterday, and, though much needed by farmers. It registered 150 points.

**ROBERTSON, MOUNTAIN.**

Rain commenced falling here early yesterday morning, and has continued without a break. There is no sign of its clearing.

**ROYALTY, MOUNTAIN.**

Heavy rain fell throughout Saturday night, and rain recorded being 251 points. It is still unsettled. The rain will be of immense service, especially if severe frosts keep off.

**TAMWORTH, MOUNTAIN.**

Rain commenced to fall on Saturday, and continued with intermission until this afternoon. Over 300 points were registered. The rain is now over, and, though the Ministerial party both in Parliament and the country, at no time since its formation, has had a real working majority, it is the Legislative Assembly. It has been kept in the office principally because confidence was felt in the administration of the late Mr. C. H. Parkes.

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**TAUNTON, MOUNTAIN.**

Heavy rain fell throughout Saturday night, and rain recorded being 251 points. It is still unsettled. The rain will be of immense service, especially if severe frosts keep off.

**WAUGA, MOUNTAIN.**

The rain did not abate till 6 o'clock this morning, but, with intermission, until 10 a.m. In the afternoon the rain ceased, and, though the district the rainfall was 251 points. It is still unsettled. The rain was expected to commence in the middle of June, will now probably be delayed.

**THURSDAY, MOUNTAIN.**

A telegram from Mackay states that constant showers have fallen for the last four days, and that the rain is now in the north-east. In the south, in the district the rainfall was 251 points. It is still unsettled. The rain will be of immense service, especially if the middle of June, will now probably be delayed.

**THURSDAY, MOUNTAIN.**

Splendid rains have fallen here. About 300 have been recorded here since yesterday morning. The weather is still cloudy and showery.

**COONAWARRA, MOUNTAIN.**

Heavy rain fell throughout Saturday night, and rain recorded being 270 points. It is still unsettled. The rain will be of immense service, especially if the middle of June, will now probably be delayed.

**WINSTON, MONDAY.**

Rain is falling here to-day. A telegram from Goulburn states that the rain of yesterday here has fallen to-day. The weather is still cloudy and showery.

**WOLGATT, MONDAY.**

Rain has been falling here from Saturday night until noon to-day almost continually; 150 points were registered. All the creeks are full, and the roads are in a bad condition.

**DUBBO, MONDAY.**

Rain still continues to fall, but will do so in a very few words. We have what is called "frosts," but no winter. This is the case. Splendid grapes have had a reasonable price, yet the grape crop has lasted fully six months. The wine yield is exceptionally good.

**EMMAVILLE, MOUNTAIN.**

The rainfall for the five months of this year was 150, and for some period of last year 220. Light rain has been recorded, and it will probably be delayed.

**GOUVILLON, MOUNTAIN.**

Nearly 150 rain yesterday. The season for ploughing is very favourable, and a largely increased area is being ploughed.

**CORAKI, MONDAY.**

The weather has now cleared, and a rapidly falling barometer indicates strong westerly winds, which will quickly dry up roads.

**COWRA, MONDAY.**

Rain set in on Saturday night, and continued intervals for about two hours. On Sunday rain fell, and the day after, rain fell again, accompanied by thunder and lightning; 300 points were registered, and the weather is still threatening.

**CHOOKEWELL, MONDAY.**

Rain set in at 12 p.m. yesterday, and continued with slight intermission since. During the first 24 hours 140 points fell, with every appearance of a continuance of wet weather.

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**HAY, MONDAY.**

A splendid soaking rain fell all day yesterday. The weather is now fine and cold; the river is falling slow.

**MOLONG, MOUNTAIN.**

Steady and most welcome rain has been registered for 150 points. The weather is now fine and cold; the river is falling slow.

**MOSS LANE, MOUNTAIN.**

After a long spell of dry weather much-needed rain commenced to fall on Saturday night, and after

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**WAGGA, MOUNTAIN.**

In conclusion, I may say that if the weather would be determined to disrupt the freedom of speech, as it has done, it would be the King who would be to blame, not us, disengaged in "protecting" the land-grabber and the factory-owning master of children.

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## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

In the Stock and Shares market day-to-day there was very little business, and quotations were substantially without change. On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported at 1 p.m.:—Assets Realization, 3s 4d; Sydney Agency and Finance, 6d. Closing quotations were:

| BANKS.                       | Buyer. Seller.                                  |
|------------------------------|---|
| Australian, 3s 4d            | — 14 —  |
| New South Wales, 3s 4d       | — 14 —  |
| North Australia, 1s 10d      | — 14 —  |
| Bank of New South Wales, 4d  | — 14 —  |
| Bank of Queensland, 1s 10d   | — 14 —  |
| S. & W. Bank, 6d             | — 14 —  |
| West Coast, 6d               | — 14 —  |
| STRAM.                       | — 14 —  |
| Colonial Bank, 1s 10d        | — 14 —  |
| G.R.C.M.L.                   | — 14 —  |
| Government, 3s 4d            | — 14 —  |
| Port Jackson, 3s 4d          | — 14 —  |
| S. & W. Bank, 3s 4d          | — 14 —  |
| TRADE.                       | — 14 —  |
| Colonial Bank, 1s 10d        | — 14 —  |
| Government, 3s 4d            | — 14 —  |
| Port Jackson, 3s 4d          | — 14 —  |
| S. & W. Bank, 3s 4d          | — 14 —  |
| INSURANCE.                   | — 14 —  |
| City Mutual, 2s              | — N.W. 2d                                       |
| United                       | — 7d  |
| And, Life, 2s                | — 14 —  |
| North Shore                  | — 14 —  |
| New Lease                    | — 4d  |
| BREWERS.                     | — 14 —  |
| Marchall's, 3s               | — 6d  |
| Tucker's, 3s                 | — 17d   |
| WINE, 10d                    | — 17d   |
| MISCELLANEOUS.               | — 14 —  |
| Asian Hotel, 3s              | — 10d   |
| Bank Hill Caves              | — 8d  |
| City Breweries               | — 14 —  |
| Colonial Cycles              | — 17d   |
| Shoe Stores                  | — 4d  |
| New South Wales              | — 14 —  |
| Post and G.                  | — 14 —  |
| Voice                        | — 14 —  |
| Orders                       | — 14 —  |
| INVESTMENT AND FINANCE.      | — 14 —  |
| Australian, 3s               | — 24 —  |
| Form. Trustee, 3s            | — 9d  |
| Bank of Australia, 3s        | — 9d  |
| Sydney Land                  | — 10d   |
| Montgomery, 6d               | — 10d   |
| LAND AND BUILDING COMPANIES. | — 14 —  |
| Adelaide, 2s                 | — 4d  |
| Indust. Propri., 2s          | — 10d   |
| Bank Hill Caves              | — 10d   |
| Bank, 2s                     | — 10d   |
| Bank, 6d                     | — 10d   |
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| Bank, 396d                   | — 10d   |
| Bank, 402d                   | — 10d   |
| Bank, 408d                   | — 10d   |
| Bank, 414d                   | — 10d   |
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